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here for the above Port, and will

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**SHERMAN**, Master  
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Hongkong, July 9, 1880.

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The *A. I. British Ship*,  
"Olivebank,"  
Captain Brann, will load here  
for the above Port, and will  
have quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
**"VOGEL & Co.**  
Hongkong, June 10, 1880.

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The *A. I. German Bark*,  
"G. M. Meuse,"  
Captain Brann, will load here  
for the above Port, and will  
have quick despatch.  
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Hongkong, June 10, 1880.

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nick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
**VOGEL & Co.**  
Hongkong, June 18, 1890.

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**FOR SAN FRANCISCO.**  
The *A. J. American Ship*  
"McNair."  
CAPTAIN, Master, will load here  
the above Pork, and will  
have space for cargo.

For Freight, apply to **VOGEL & Co.**  
Hongkong, May 31, 1890.

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**FOR LONDON.**  
The *A. J. British Ship*  
"Cydonia."  
HATFIELD, Master, will load

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Friedrich /

will have quick dispatch. For Freight, apply to  
**YOUNG & Co.**  
HONGKONG, MAY 19, 1890.

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The A. 1 American Ship  
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Master will leave here  
for the above Port and will  
have quick dispatch.  
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**FURNESS & Co.**  
HONGKONG, April 24, 1890.



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The 准補額 are the same as the 補額 who are 准以候補用. They are of the same class, [同班], as the 補額, and are most of them taken from the platform of favour or general usefulness, which goes by the euphonious name of 軍功.

The rule is that a Viceroy or Governor may not report upon the abilities of officers (出考) before he (the Viceroy) has been three months at his post. Extraordinary cases this rule may be relaxed.

頭尾四科 is a good expression for "every fourth examination, each one exclusive." The 大挑 takes place every three years, but it is very difficult to get out of a Chinaman what this means. An examination, [科], for the degree of provincial graduate being held every third year for instance on the 1st, 7th, and 10th years, it is evident, if a 大挑 is held once in four 科, and inclusive, it must be every third year. Other Chinese will say that the 大挑 takes place "after three examinations." They are equally vague in way of expressing the number of months in so many years.

The examiners for the degree of provincial graduate are called 大總辦. But before the examination there is an extra pass examination called 闕試 held by the 閱卷大員. The first three ranks are allowed to go up at once for their degree, [會試]. The fourth rank is not allowed to go up this time; the fifth is thrown back twice, and the sixth not allowed to count even as provincial graduates. The 朝考 which follows the 闕試 should not be confused with the 朝考 for the 拔貢. The one passing for each magistracy, and first class (including only one allowed) is examined for it. It is always held every four years, at every 10 years and next year a 朝考 of all passing is at Peking. The 大挑 as has already been explained, is held after the examination of three 科, i.e. if a 科 of examination of kiffs is held in 1870, there would be examinations in 1873, 1876, and "and" after three examinations: "skipping two clean." But if one was to come in in 1874, or two in 1874 and 1875, then there would be 大挑 in 1876.

Upon Page 76 of his *Religion of China*, Dr. Legge remarks: "This is evidence that the ancient kings of China had to the field the tablets of spirits of their ancestors . . . 50 cousin of, suppose, just as the Israel required on one occasion the ark of God should be brought to camp." Dr. Legge's conjecture is of use for we read in the *Book of Exodus*. The ark: "When the army encamped on a military expedition, [師行] they always to take their household gods with them." [必以遷廟乎?] Confucius said: "When the perov goes on circuit, he takes his household gods with him upon a hearse [載于齊車]. The 廟主 or 神主 of "tablets of the spirits of ancestors." We rather think the in taking them was less in the manner of the dynasty should be transferred, than in the fact of all of the dynasties, (excepting the present one) seem to maintain the memory of predecessors. If we remember that it is stated somewhere in the *Book of Kings* that "when a noble was executed, his tablets with him upon a hearse was to bury the 'beg and beg' policy" of ancient China.

In support of M. Schlegel's that by the Chinese Oranology history of *Sinim* may be traced to 20,000 years B.C. we may add the following from Dr. Legge's *Religion of China*: "From the tablets of *Yu* (Yu) or 'Languished History' Ma But of the present dynasty, the lowest estimate makes Yu Hui begin in B.C. 2330, but one estimate mentioned which would carry him more than B.C. 26,000!"

SEUTER'S TELEGRAM  
(SUPPLEMENT TO THE CHINA MAIL)  
(For R. E. L. & Co. Telegram Co.)  
MUSKIE OF THE NEW PATH  
LONDON, JUN  
General Scholcher has been ordered to occupy Kailashat.  
Kashmir has gone to Kailashat to demand against the Chinese.  
A further increase to the Russian Squadron is expected.

THE CHINESE AND HANJIAN  
LONDON, JUN  
It is reported that the Chinese Embassy sent 5,000 Keshaw to the British.

LOCAL AND GENERAL  
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